STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE MICHIGAN COURT OF APPEALS

KATHARINE LEE BARR,

v.

Court of Appeals No. 322684

Plaintiff-Appellee,

Wayne County Circuit Court No. 14-103922-PP

Hon. Kevin J. Cox

JEFFREY THOMAS HALL,

Defendant-Appellant.

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APPELLANT'S MOTION FOR PEREMPTORY REVERSAL

Jeffrey T. Hall, Defendant-Appellant herein, by and through the undersigned counsel, respectfully moves this Court for peremptory reversal of the June 11, 2014 Order of the Wayne County Circuit Court denying his motion to terminate the ex parte personal protection order ("PPO") in this matter. The reasons and grounds for this motion are as follows:

- 1. At the hearing on June 11, 2014, on Appellant's motion to terminate the PPO, Appellant and his counsel repeatedly asked the Court to allow them an opportunity to present testimony and other evidence to rebut Appellee's allegations that Appellant had paid unwanted attention to her after a dating relationship ended.
- 2. Despite these repeated requests, the circuit court denied Appellant the opportunity to present any testimony or other evidence, then denied Appellant's motion to terminate the PPO.

- 3. Had Appellant been afforded an opportunity to present evidence, he would have shown that Appellee's allegations were false or misleading, that there was no basis for the entry or continuation of the PPO, and if anyone was guilty of paying unwanted attention to the other, it was Appellee, not Appellant. Appellant would also have shown the Court that he is a licensed firearms instructor and needs access to firearms to earn a living. There is no claim or evidence that Appellant has ever physically harmed or threatened Appellee.
 - 4. Appellant filed a timely claim of appeal to this Court on July 2, 2014.
- 5. The petitioner bears the burden of establishing reasonable cause for the continuation of an ex parte PPO at the hearing on the motion to terminate the PPO. MCR 3.310(B)(5); *Hayford v Hayford*, 279 Mich App 324, 326; 760 NW2d 503 (2008).
- 6. The relevant statutory and case law requires the trial court to conduct an evidentiary hearing on a motion to terminate a PPO when the respondent requests such a hearing. MCL 600.2950(4); *Hayford*, 279 Mich App at 326; MCR 3.707(A)(2).
- 7. Two unpublished opinions of this Court squarely hold that it is legal error, or in the alternative an abuse of discretion, to deny the respondent an evidentiary hearing on a motion to terminate an ex parte PPO, when requested. *See Peterson v Peterson*, No. 283188, 2008 WL 3439888 (unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals dated June 17, 2008); *Baker v Holloway*, No. 288606, 2010 WL 292991 (unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals dated Jan. 26, 2010).

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8. Under this Court's holdings in *Pickering, Peterson and Baker*, Defendant had a right under MCL 600.2950 and MCR 3.707(A)(2) to an evidentiary hearing at which he would have a meaningful opportunity to present testimony and other evidence to rebut the Petitioner's

assertions, and the trial court denied this right when it refused to allow Defendant to submit testimony and other evidence.

- 9. Whether viewed as legal error as in *Peterson*, or an abuse of discretion as in *Baker*, the trial court's refusal to conduct an evidentiary hearing was error that must be reversed.
- 10. Whether or not the ex parte PPO was properly entered, the trial court abused its discretion by declining to terminate the PPO at the hearing on June 11, 2014.
- 11. The trial court's reversible error is so manifest that an immediate reversal of the judgment or order appealed from should be granted without formal argument or submission.
- 12. Appellant is suffering immediate and irreparable injury from the pendency of the PPO because he is a candidate for the Michigan State Senate, District 2, in the November 4, 2014 general election and should be able to exercise his First Amendment rights by campaigning for that office in public places without fear that Plaintiff may be present. Indeed, exactly such inadvertent contacts led Plaintiff to assert falsely in a motion filed with the circuit court on August 22, 2014 that Appellant had violated the PPO. Appelant is also suffering immediate and irreparable injury from the pendency of the PPO because it impacts his ability to earn a living as a firearm instructor.
- 13. Appellant incorporates by reference, as if fully set forth herein, his brief on appeal filed in this matter on September 2, 2014. The exhibits to that brief include the relevant papers from the circuit court file and copies of the unpublished decisions of this Court cited in this motion and in that brief. For the convenience of the Court, a copy of his brief on appeal and the exhibits are attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

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WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth herein and in his brief on appeal, Defendant-Appellant prays that this Court peremptorily reverse the order of the circuit court dated June 11, 2014, denying his motion to terminate the ex parte PPO and remand for dismissal of the petition. In the alternative, this Court should peremptorily reverse and remand the matter to the Honorable Kevin Cox, who entered the ex parte PPO, for an evidentiary hearing at which plaintiff will have the burden of proof as to whether the PPO should be continued and defendant will have a full opportunity to present testimony and other evidence.

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DEFENDANT-APPELLANT'S BRIEF ON APPEAL

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STATEMENT OF THE BASIS OF JURISDICTION OF THE COURT OF APPEALS

This Court has jurisdiction pursuant to MCR 7.202(6)(a)(i) and MCR 7.203(A)(1). Appellant Jeffrey T. Hall filed a timely claim of appeal on July 2, 2014 from the final order of the circuit court dated June 11, 2014 denying his motion to terminate the ex parte personal protection order in this matter. See MCR 7.204(A)(1)(a).

STATEMENT OF QUESTION INVOLVED

Should the order of the circuit court dated June 11, 2014, denying Appellant's motion to terminate a PPO, be reversed where Defendant-Appellant requested an evidentiary hearing but the circuit court declined to allow Defendant-Appellant to present testimony and other evidence in support of his motion?

Appellant says "Yes".

The trial court said "No".

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Plaintiff-Appellee Katharine Barr and Defendant-Appellant Jeffrey T. Hall are residents of Grosse Pointe Woods and Grosse Pointe Park, respectively. Plaintiff is a married woman, while Defendant is a single man and a candidate for the Michigan State Senate, District 2, in the November 4, 2014 general election. Plaintiff filed an exparte petition for a personal protection order (PPO) against Defendant on April 10, 2014, alleging that Defendant was paying unwanted attention to her after the end of a dating relationship by, for example, appearing at a gym where both were members and at a public movie theater. (Exhibit A). Plaintiff alleged no physical violence or threats of violence by Defendant. The trial court, Hon. Kevin J. Cox, entered an exparte PPO on that date. (Id.).

Defendant filed a timely motion to terminate the PPO on April 17, 2014. (Exhibit B). The motion was heard by Hon. Charlene M. Elder on June 11, 2014. Plaintiff appeared in pro per, while defendant was represented by counsel. The hearing lasted 22 minutes. See H. Tr. June 11, 2014 (Exhibit C). The court, initially under the mis-impression that the motion was one for a PPO (see id. at p. 7), placed Plaintiff and Defendant under oath (id. at pp. 3-5), then allowed Plaintiff to present narrative testimony in response to the court's question "Why do you feel you need this PPO against Mr. Hall and how to you know him?" (Id. at pp. 5-8). The court then heard oral argument from Defendant's counsel, during which he requested the opportunity to submit testimony and other evidence (id. at pp. 8-12); allowed Plaintiff to respond without ruling on counsel's hearsay objections (id. at pp. 12-14); and then denied the motion (id at pp. 14-15, 20). The court rejected Mr. Hall's renewed request that he be allowed to submit testimony and other evidence. (Id. at pp. 17-18). The trial court entered its order denying the

¹ See Exhibit A to Motion to Expedite Appeal, filed herewith.

motion to terminate on the same date. (**Exhibit D**). It thus denied Defendant any opportunity to submit testimony or other evidence, despite his repeated request that he be allowed to do so.

Had Defendant been afforded an opportunity to present evidence, he would have shown that Plaintiff's allegations were false or misleading, that there was no basis for the entry or continuation of the PPO, and that if anyone was guilty of paying unwanted attention to the other it was Plaintiff, not Defendant. Defendant would also have shown the court that he is a licensed firearm instructor and needs access to firearms to earn a living. Again, there is no claim or evidence that Defendant has ever physically harmed or threatened Plaintiff.

Defendant filed a timely claim of appeal to this Court on July 2, 2014.

ARGUMENT

I. STANDARD OF REVIEW.

This Court reviews a trial court's order granting or denying a motion to terminate an ex parte PPO under the same standard as an order granting a PPO. *Hayford v Hayford*, 279 Mich App 324, 326; 760 NW2d 503 (2008). The petitioner bears the burden of establishing reasonable cause for issuance of a PPO, *Kampf v Kampf*, 237 Mich App 377, 385-86; 603 NW2d 295 (1999), and of establishing a justification for the continuance of a PPO at the hearing on a motion to terminate a PPO. *Hayford*, 279 Mich App at 326; MCR 3.310(B)(5) ("[a]t a hearing on a motion to dissolve a restraining order granted without notice, the burden of justifying the continuation of the order is on the applicant for the restraining order, whether or not the hearing has been consolidated with a hearing on a motion for a preliminary injunction or an order to show cause.").

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The determination of whether to issue or continue a PPO is reviewed for abuse of discretion, *Pickering v Pickering*, 253 Mich App 694, 700-01; 659 NW2d 649 (2002), and the

trial court's findings of fact are reviewed for clear error. Sweebe v Sweebe, 474 Mich 151, 154; 712 NW2d 708 (2006). An abuse of discretion occurs when the outcome falls outside the range of principled outcomes. Woodard v Custer, 476 Mich 545, 557; 719 NW2d 842 (2006). Questions of statutory interpretation, however, are reviewed de novo. State Farm Fire & Cas Co v Corby Energy Services, Inc, 271 Mich App 480, 483; 722 NW2d 906 (2006).

II. THE CIRCUIT COURT ERRED WHEN IT DENIED DEFENDANT-APPELLANT'S REQUEST FOR AN EVIDENTIARY HEARING ON HIS MOTION TO TERMINATE THE PPO.

The issue presented by this appeal is a simple one. The relevant statutory and case law requires the trial court to conduct an evidentiary hearing on a motion to terminate a personal protection order when the Defendant requests such a hearing. "The trial court must consider the testimony, documents, and other evidence proffered and whether the Respondent had previously engaged in the listed acts." *Hayford*, 279 Mich App at 326, citing MCL 600.2950(4). The Defendant here requested the opportunity to submit testimony and other evidence, but the circuit court refused to allow him to do so. Defendant was not allowed to cross examine the Plaintiff, nor was Defendant allowed to present his own testimony, testimony from third parties and evidence to refute the Plaintiff's allegations and put the facts in a proper context. The circuit court's refusal to conduct an evidentiary hearing was legal error, reviewable *de novo* by this Court, or in the alternative was an abuse of discretion.

The trial court must issue a PPO if it finds that "there is reasonable cause to believe that the individual to be restrained or enjoined may commit 1 or more of the acts listed in subsections (1)." MCL 600.2950(4). The relevant acts include stalking, as defined in MCL 750.411(h)(1)(d) ("Stalking' means a willful course of conduct involving repeated or continuing harassment of another individual that would cause a **reasonable person** to feel terrorized, frightened,

intimidated, threatened, harassed, or molested **and** that actually cause the victim to feel terrorized, frightened, intimidated, threatened, harassed, or molested," emphasis added), or "[a]ny other specific act or conduct which imposes upon or interferes with personal liberty or causes a reasonable apprehension of **violence**." MCL 600.2950(1)(i), (j) (emphasis added).

MCL 600.2950(4) requires the circuit court to consider "[t]estimony, documents or other evidence" in determining whether to enter a personal protection order. The court must also "schedule a hearing on the motion to modify or rescind the ex parte personal protection order within 14 days after the filing of the motion to modify or rescind." MCL 600.2950(14). Also see MCR 3.707(A)(1)(b), (2) ("The respondent may file a motion to modify or terminate an ex parte personal protection order . . . and request a hearing within 14 days after being served with, or receiving actual notice, of the order", and "[t]he court must schedule and hold the hearing on the motion to modify or terminate a personal protection order within 14 days of the filing of the motion . . .").

While MCL 600.2950 is silent as to the form of a hearing on a motion to terminate or modify a PPO, decisions of this court make it clear that the respondent is entitled to an evidentiary hearing upon request where the PPO was entered ex parte. To hold otherwise would deny the respondent due process of law. In *Pickering v. Pickering*, 253 Mich App 694; 659 NW2d 649 (2003), the Court held that "under MCR 3.310(B)(5), the burden of justifying continuation of a PPO granted ex parte is on the applicant for the restraining order." 253 Mich App at 699. This Court affirmed the order denying the motion to terminate where the circuit court "heard all the evidence and specifically held that the evidence established there was sufficient facts to justify the earlier entry of the ex parte PPO." Id at 699-700.

Two unpublished opinions of this Court are directly in point. In *Peterson v Peterson*, No. 283188, 2008 WL 3439888 (unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals dated June 17, 2008) (**Exhibit C**), the circuit court refused to allow the respondent to present evidence in support of his motion to terminate an ex parte PPO because he had allegedly violated that order. This Court reversed, holding that MCR 3.707(A)(2) requires the circuit court to provide respondent a "meaningful opportunity" to present his defense to the issuance of the ex parte PPO." Id. at *4. The Court stated:

MCR 3.707(A)(2) states, in pertinent part, that "[t]he court must schedule and hold the hearing on a motion to modify or terminate a personal protection order within 14 days of the filing of the motion" Based on this language, respondent argues that the trial court was required to hold the hearing and to "allow [respondent] a meaningful opportunity to challenge the merits of the ex parte personal protection order." We agree, and conclude that respondent was denied a "meaningful opportunity" to present his defense to the issuance of the ex parte personal protection order."

Id. Under the reasoning of *Peterson*, the circuit court's refusal to allow the respondent to present evidence was legal error.

In *Baker v Holloway*, No. 288606, 2010 WL 292991 (unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals dated Jan. 26, 2010) (**Exhibit E**), the hearing referee refused to provide the respondent an evidentiary hearing on her motion to terminate an ex parte PPO, instead ordering the parties to mediation. This Court held that the respondent had a "statutory right to a hearing on the merits of the PPO," and that when the referee "declined to take proofs from respondent," he "effectively denied respondent her statutory right to a prompt and timely review of the PPO. This amounted to an abuse of discretion." Id. at *3. Under the reasoning of *Baker*, the trial court's refusal to allow Defendant to submit testimony and other evidence was an abuse of discretion.

Under this court's holdings in *Pickering*, *Peterson*, and *Baker*, Defendant had a right under MCL 600.2950 and MCR 3.707(A)(2) to an evidentiary hearing at which he would have a meaningful opportunity to present testimony and other evidence to rebut the Petitioner's assertions, and the trial court denied this right when it refused to allow Defendant to submit testimony and other evidence. Whether viewed as legal error as in *Peterson*, or an abuse of discretion as in *Baker*, the trial court's refusal was error that must be reversed.

Petitioner's assertions here do not involve actual or threatened violence; they involve allegations that respondent paid unwanted attention to Petitioner after the termination of their romantic relationship, such as appearing at a gym (where he is a member) and a movie theatre where Petitioner was present, and driving past her house. Had he been afforded an evidentiary hearing, Defendant would have shown that Petitioner's allegations are untrue or overstated and not a basis for the entry or continuation of the ex parte PPO.

Two unreported decisions of this Court involving very similar facts demonstrate that whether or not the ex parte PPO here should have been entered, Defendant's motion to terminate should have been granted. In *Coolman v Laisure*, No. 224050, 2001 WL 1545927, *2 (unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals dated Nov. 30, 2001) (Exhibit F), this Court reversed an order denying a motion to terminate a PPO, holding that "the circuit court clearly erred in finding that respondent 'stalked' petitioner" based on normal contacts after the end of a romantic relationship. In *Lipscombe v Lipscombe*, No. 287822, 2010 WL 395762, *3 (unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals dated Feb. 4, 2010) (Exhibit G), this Court held that the trial court abused its discretion by refusing to terminate an ex parte PPO where "the alleged incidents were 'pretty commonplace' and 'normal' for couples who were experiencing marital difficulties". The *Lispcombe* Court also noted that a PPO is entered in the law

enforcement information network (LEIN), and even after its expiration "may have criminal implications for individuals pursuing occupations that require a criminal background check or the carrying of a firearm." See id. at *2. Here, the PPO is similarly affecting respondent's livelihood and ability to support his children by working as a firearms instructor.

Defendant is a candidate for the Michigan State Senate, and should be able to exercise his First Amendment rights by campaigning for that office in public places and by knocking on doors in the parties' community, without fear that Plaintiff may be present. Indeed, exactly such inadvertent contacts led Plaintiff to assert falsely, in a motion filed on August 22, 2014, that Defendant had violated the PPO by appearing in public places and by knocking on her friend's door to seek signatures for his nominating petition. See **Exhibit H**. That motion is set for hearing on October 9, 2014, only weeks before the general election on November 4. (See id.) Only an expedited appeal and reversal will avoid immediate and irreparable harm to Defendant in the November 4 election.

RELIEF REQUESTED

For the reasons set forth herein and in his motions for expedited appeal and immediate consideration, filed herewith, Defendant-Appellant prays that this Court expedite briefing and argument and enter its order vacating the order of the trial court denying his motion to terminate the ex parte personal protection order and remand for dismissal of the petition. In the alternative, Defendant prays that this Court expedite the appeal in this matter, vacate the order of the circuit court and remand the matter to the Hon. Kevin Cox, who entered the ex parte PPO, for an evidentiary hearing at which Plaintiff will have the burden of proof as to whether the PPO should be continued and Defendant will have a full opportunity to present testimony and other evidence.

STATEMENT REGARDING ORAL ARGUMENT PURSUANT TO MCR 7.214(E)(2)

Defendant-Appellant has requested oral argument to preserve his right in the event that Plaintiff-Appellee also requests oral argument. Simultaneously with this brief, however, Defendant-Appellant has filed a motion requesting the Court to expedite this appeal, shorten the briefing schedule and issue its decision at the earliest practicable date. In order to do so, the Court should decide this matter without oral argument by either party pursuant to MCR 7.214(E)(1).

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBITS

- A. Personal Protection Order (Ex Parte), Petition for Personal Protection Order and Verified Addendum to Petition for a PPO
- B. Motion to Modify, Extend or Terminate Personal Protection Order
- C. Hearing transcript of Defendant's June 11, 2014 Motion to Terminate Personal Protection Order
- D. June 11, 2014 Order on Motion to Modify, Extend or Terminate Personal Protection Order
- E. *Baker v. Holloway,* No. 288606, 2010 WL 292991 (unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals dated January 26, 2010)
- F. Coolman v. Laisure, No. 224050, 2001 WL 1545927, *2 (unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals dated November 30, 2001)
- G. *Lipscombe v. Lipscombe*, No. 287822, 2010 WL 395762, *3 (unpublished opinion of the Court of Appeals dated February 4, 2010)
- H. August 22, 2014 Motion and Order to Show Cause for Violating Valid Personal Foreign Protection Order

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5	Plaintiff,
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12	above-entitled cause, before the HONORABLE CHARLENE M.
13	ELDER, Judge of the Circuit Court, at 1701 CAYMC,
14	Detroit, Michigan, on June 11, 2014.
15	APPEARANCES:
1.6	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff appearing in Pro Per.
17	NATHENTINE DANK, FLATHELITE appearing in FIO Per.
18	MITCHELL RIBITWER, P26054
19	Ribitwer & Sabbota, LLP 26862 Woodward Avenue
20	Unit 200 Royal Oak, Michigan 48067
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22	Appearing on behalf of the Defendant.
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7	versus Hall.
8	MR. RIBITWER: Ready, your Honor.
9	Mitchell Ribitwer, P26054, appearing on behalf of
10	respondent Jeffrey Hall. He's out in the hall, your
11	Honor.
12	(Interruption)
13	THE COURT: I'm open. Whatever's your
14	comfort zone. Fine by me. Maybe there's more room if
15	you guys come forward. Who are you representing,
16	counsel?
17	MR. RIBITWER: Respondent Hall.
18	THE COURT: Okay. And you are?
19	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: I'm Katherine,
20	petitioner. I'm not I'm no lawyer. This is my
21	husband. Can he be up here with me or no?
22	THE COURT: He can be up here, but
23	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: He'll be
24	quiet.
25	THE COURT: let me swear you in as a
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2	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Yeah, that's
3	fine. Okay.
4	THE COURT: I'm going to swear them both
5	in and then I'll hear from you guys, okay.
6	MR. RIBITWER: Very good, Judge.
7	THE COURT: May I have you both raise your
8	right hand. Sir, can I have you raise your right hand.
9	State your name for the record.
10	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Katherine
11	Barr.
12	THE COURT: And your name, sir?
13	JEFFREY HALL, Defendant: Jeffrey Hall.
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17	having been first duly sworn in and by the Court at 9:57
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19	follows:
20	THE COURT: And do you both swear or
21	affirm any testimony you give today is the truth and
22	nothing but the truth?
23	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Yes.
24	JEFFREY HALL, Defendant: Yes, Judge.
25	THE COURT: Okay.

MR. RIBITWER: Judge, one preliminary motion. Since Mr. Barr's going to be a witness I'd ask that he'd be sequestered.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: He's not going to be a witness.

THE COURT: He's not going to? Okay.

Let's start with you, Miss Barr. Why do you feel you

need this PPO against Mr. Hall and how do you know him?

ATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Um, Mr. Hall and I had about a year and a half relationship, an affair. I ended it last fall. After I ended it he started following me around the coffee shops, the library, confronted me -- I went to the coffee shop. I left to go to the library. I'm a grad student so I was studying.

He followed me there, wrote me a note that said I destroyed him, followed me out, told me Google is watching me, told me he's going to use Share Intimate Videos that we made together so then I ran out of there and said I was going to call the police and I didn't call the police. I don't want to start anything and other things started happening.

He started driving by my house. He came to the movie theater on Christmas day and sat two rows in front of me, my husband and our three children. We got

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up and moved several rows higher.

Then he -- I've been a member at our local YMCA for eight years. Then he -- in the spring he joined the YMCA. I was contacted by staff at the YMCA because they said, I just want to bring it to your attention that, a manager, that Mr. Hall came in. Before he got his membership he was asking about your workout schedule and your husband's workout schedule.

MR. RIBITWER: Objection. That's all hearsay.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: She asked me to tell my story, so. A few weeks after that -- so I -he started coming -- okay. So I'll just -- a few weeks after that I was on the treadmill and a woman came in. Her name was Corrine Zimmerman and apparently he's dating her and she wanted to ask me if I was dating him and I said, no, no, I'm not.

Then he like came in from the lobby and started yelling at me and saying, you broke my heart; you lied to me about your relationship with your husband. was very loud. He was -- I was scared out of my mind. I've got two witness reports that came forward to give their testimony because I was so upset.

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I've since left that gym cause I'm afraid to work out there anymore. I was granted a PPO about

eight weeks ago. Since that time he still he still has not stayed away. He was following me on Mack Avenue -THE COURT: Oh, you do have a PPO.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Yes, I have

one.

THE COURT: I apologize.

WATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Oh, it's okay.

Um, he was following me on Mack Avenue. As soon as he saw that I saw him he -- Mack Avenue is like a road in my town. I was going to get my kids. I mean, he knows my schedule. He quickly turned off when he saw that I saw him. Of course I contacted -- contacted police and wrote a report.

A few weeks after that I was at a local fair with my children and he showed up, which I understand it's a public fair, but on two occasions his children came up to me and wanted to talk to me and I don't know if he was trying to bother me or why, but obviously I don't have PPO's against his children, but he's still trying to like be in my space and I don't know if he's trying to rattle me with the kids because I did babysit for them and had a relationship with them, but I just need him to continue to stay away.

I am scared of him. He -- again, when he told me Google is watching me and he's going to share my

videos I feel like he's trying to get revenge on me and, um, I've done everything I can to stay away from him and I'm just -- when this PPO was granted it was the first time in six months that I felt like I had some personal freedom back and I wasn't scared and felt like I just want to feel safe and I just want him to continue to stay away from me and my children.

THE COURT: You feel that you still need your PPO?

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: A hundred percent.

MR. RIBITWER: Judge, may it please the Court, I believe that the -- excuse me, the PPO was issued ex parta and the respondent Mr. Hall has filed a motion to terminate because the allegations are not true.

To hear from the Defendant basically by way of offer of proof I'm indicating as Miss Barr indicated that apparently these two were involved in some intimate sexual relationship having an affair.

At some point in time that affair was terminated. Mr. Hall lives in the same neighborhood that Miss Barr lives in so it's not unusual that perhaps their paths might cross.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: I object. We don't even live in the same municipality.

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THE COURT: Let him -- let him finish. I'll come back to you.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff:

MR. RIBITWER: With regard to the YMCA issues, Mr. Hall, in fact, denies that he attempted to harass or to create any issues or problems with Miss Barr.

There was one incident which I can confirm by an independent witness who's here that there was a discussion with Miss Barr, Mr. Hall and a third-party regarding some type of relationship between those three parties. Mr. Hall indicates he's never threatened Miss Barr.

He's never told her he's going to harm her or hurt her or that he is attempting to interfere with her current relationship with her husband or the children.

The fact that he shows up at a movie on Christmas, obviously that's neither here nor there. could obviously be a coincidence. He's with his children. They walk into a movie theater. Same thing. I believe that their children play baseball together in some type of a baseball league or soccer. I don't know exactly what the sort is, but the kids are involved in the same type of --

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Our kids do not play sports together.

COURT OFFICER: Hold on.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Sorry.

MR. RIBITWER: -- so the kids approach
Miss Barr who had a relationship with them on a previous
occasion as their either caretaker or somehow babysitter.
It's not unusual.

There's all kinds of allegations in here in the petition which obviously hasn't been brought to you verbally, but talks about the Defendant having a firearm (ph) (inaudible). That's true. He's a certified safety -- strike that. He's a certified personal protection instructor, certified firearms instructor. He's a U.S. Navy -- he was an intelligence officer there.

It's a situation where he doesn't want to have any contact with this young lady anymore. He wants to go his own way and be with his family. She can go her way and be with her family. I'm suggesting to your Honor that the allegations in this particular petition for PPO don't rise to the level of having a personal protection order.

Mr. Hall denies that he put anything on Facebook which is adversarial to Miss Barr. He denies that he's threatened her. He denies that he took any

naked pictures of her when she was passed out.

Apparently the only issues there is that there are videos which were consensual between the two parties and Mr. Hall has no intention of disseminating that information or putting it out in the public domain.

So we can hear from Mr. Hall. He can be sworn in and he can testify, but the sum and substance what's going on here -- as a matter of fact, apparently in July of 2014 it appears that the parties were going to end their relationship.

Approximately a month later it was Miss
Barr who contacts the respondent by e-mail talking to him
and asking him, you know, how you doing, and, you know,
why don't you respond to me, and respond to her, why
don't you respond to me, what's going on with you, I'm
sorry about what happened. You know, this is really a
big mess and so --

THE COURT: When was this?

MR. RIBITWER: This was in -- the last e-mail was in October of 2013, but the first e-mail was August 13th, of 2013. Apparently their relationship was suppose to be completed on July 25th, of 2014.

So Miss Barr did initiate some contact after this so-called relationship was terminated and with regard to these incidents at the YMCA and the movie

theater, Mr. Hall denies that there was any type of threats or anything that would harm Miss Barr.

THE COURT: Well, it sounds like her biggest concern is that everywhere she winds up or anything she's doing he somehow ends up there, too.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: May I please respond?

THE COURT: Sure.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: He said that he wants him -- Mr. Ribitwer speaking on behalf of Mr. Hall said that Jeff wants to move on and that he's not caught up with me anymore. However, he wrote this instant message to one of my best friends, 'Lynn --' and this was just a few months ago. You have a copy of it, too. It should have the day.

'Lynn, my heart is broken --' I don't know what this means '-- please don't hurt Kate or me anymore than we have already been hurt. She's the first thing I think of in the morning and the last thing I think of before I go to sleep. She is my final resting spot. No others for me. I have had too much to drink. I will think I will go to sleep now. I am so sad. Please don't hurt my Kate.'

He sent this to one of my best friends. I have these witness reports that, um, very clearly

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KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Okay.

Actually I'd like to read one right now.

MR. RIBITWER: I'll object.

THE COURT: They're hearsay.

MR. RIBITWER: I can't cross-examine 'em.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Oh, I see.

Okay. Sure. That's fine. Um, Mr. Hall has a history of lying. Today, for instance -- first of all, I just got these papers to come here today last night at ten P.M.

He told the Court and he told his attorney this morning that he hired a processor server to give them to me, but he has no proof of service. In fact, the way I got them was from this envelope with his lawyer's name on it, which I showed to Mr. Ribitwer today.

He said he's never seen it before and it did not come from his office. So he started the day off with lies. I have basically had no time to prepare, but I needed to do this today cause I'm going to be out of the country this summer and I have three children that -- you know, I just needed to get this done today, but he really jams me here.

I mean, like I said, he started this entire day off with lies and as far as me contacting him in July via e-mail, that's because that was the very first time he followed me to the library so we started talking again.

MR. RIBITWER: Judge, if I may pose an exhibit. I'll show it to the Plaintiff.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Yeah, okay. So this was a letter --

MR. RIBITWER: Contacting -- contacting -- contacted her in July. Here's a letter that Miss Barr wrote for Mr. Hall in July so I don't see where (inaudible).

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: There's no relevance. This was before our relationship ended. I mean, that's when we were like in love, quote unquote.

THE COURT: Well, I mean, the whole purpose of a PPO is to stop unwanted contact and if she was granted the PPO because a different judge felt that she alleged enough in her facts to be warranted to have a PPO -- I didn't realize that you're here on a termination hearing.

My job is to hear through clear and convincing evidence from you that you, in fact, still feel you need this PPO and if the Court is convinced

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that -- that you feel that you still need this PPO, cause it was already granted. I think they just need a cooling down period, a chance to go their separate ways. That's what it sounds like to me, but --

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: That's what I think so, too, and I'm just fearful that without the PPO there's going to be no cooling down period. He won't leave me alone.

THE COURT: And that's what I was going to say, that I'm going to keep it in place for now and maybe if they -- you know, just things die down after a few months --

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Thank you.

THE COURT: -- you know, you two may consider a termination at that time.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Thank you.

THE COURT: It does put him in a criminal LEIN system so, you know, that's the thing with the PPO and it does prohibit him from having his firearm, but at the same time I'm thinking that if things die down between the two of you, time heals and then maybe you'll go your separate ways and if you come back at another time --

MR. RIBITWER: Judge, two things. One, he's running for the state senate, but --

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KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: He's not registered on any --

MR. RIBITWER: That may not be here nor there, but the question is, because he is a certified firearms instructor will the Court remove the provision which prohibits him from carrying a firearm, use of a firearm or restricting the use of the firearm so in employment while he's involved in these educational programs? He does derive an income from that and that's part of the income he uses to support his two children.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Your Honor, I would please ask that you do not allow him to have his That is one of the biggest provisions for me, quns back. for me feeling safe and his -- what appear to be mental instability with the whole Google is watching you thing.

I don't know what he's capable of and I'm asking that you please do not do that. Mr. Ribitwer and I differ. Your client is not running for senate and he's not listed on any registry -- okay. He's not listed on So he's not registered to run for any race any registry. in Michigan or federal level at this time. true.

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MR. RIBITWER: The only other -- the only other issue is if -- along the lines of the Court, if the Court would entertain it, I would have no objection to

having a review in sixty or ninety days and see how it goes. If everything goes well obviously (inaudible).

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: I, your Honor, I would please like to leave it as is and if they would like to file a motion at a later date then I'll tend to it then, but I would -- I would -- no, I don't agree to that.

THE COURT: Okay.

JEFFREY HALL, Defendant: You know,
this -- this PPO was obtained against me ex parta. The
ex parta power of the Court is very powerful because it
denies somebody the right to come in and defend
themselves. It basically takes somebody else at their
word and allows the Court the awesome power of denying
somebody the right to be heard to defend themselves.

Judge, I've not said one word during this hearing, but I can guarantee -- we have a witness here today. I can guarantee you that if you were to allow me to testify, allow the witness to testify, you would hear a very different story, not only have I not harassed Miss Barr, that if we had independent third-party witnesses testify -- and we don't have just one. We have multiple -- you would see all very disturbing portrait and that would be not only did I not harass Miss Barr, if there was any harassment at all it was Miss Barr

harassing me.

A perfect example is the movie theater incident. She says -- the way you read the PPO and the way that the judge that was on the PPO docket read it was I was there at the movie theater with my children and my husband. This lunatic comes in and sits down two rows in front of me.

Here's what really happened, Judge. What really happened was on Christmas day, as part of a Christmas tradition, I took my little eight year old girl and my eight year old -- my ten year old son to the nearest movie that was -- to the nearest theater that was showing Frozen, okay, and I went in and we started to go into a row and my son started going, dad, dad, it's Deagan. I said, what? He goes, dad, Deagan's here.

I look up. About five or six rows back -not two, Judge -- about five or six rows back are Mr. And
Mrs. Barr and their children and I'm there with my
children as well so here's what I did.

I said, son, have a seat, be quiet, watch the movie. Dad, I want to sit with Deagan. Can I sit with Deagan? Son, no, please, you can't sit with Deagan.

Judge, when the PPO docket judge heard that and what they probably thought was, oh, my God, this guy's following her around with her kids, but in reality

that's a perfect example.

Every one of the allegations contained in her complaint are not only misleading -- like I said, if you give us a chance to present witnesses, have them sworn in -- and I'm willing to pay my attorney to do this -- you will see not only that Miss Barr was not harassed, Judge, that unfortunately tragically if anybody was harassed in this process it was me.

The last communications -- it's all documented -- came from Miss Barr. I stopped communicating with her, but the e-mails continued to come and this is something that can be established and verified through an evidentiary hearing.

KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Everything he just said is lies. We've -- we've been in here for twenty minutes. He's already lied about the process serving and his running for senate. That's two lies that you've already heard today.

Honestly, I just -- I don't even know what to say. Everything I've said -- I don't even see some of my best friends as much as I've seen him following me in the last seven months. Please, I'd ask you if we can stick with -- keeping this as is, as it was granted and that's what I ask.

MR. RIBITWER: Judge, in response to Miss

1	Barr I can show this to the Judge?
2	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Ah, sure.
3	Sure. Okay. So this appears that
4	MR. RIBITWER: Judge
5	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: he's
6	compiled signatures, but he's on no campaign registry.
7	THE COURT: Those are petitions, right?
8	JEFFREY HALL, Defendant: That's correct.
9	I have until July 17 to submit fifteen hundred signatures
10	about a thousand of which have already been garnered.
11	It's district number two, Judge, for the state senate.
12	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: I please just
13	ask you to keep this as is.
14	THE COURT: I already had ruled, guys. I
15	don't go back. You know, I don't like to go back on my
16	rulings. I had ruled.
17	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Thank you.
18	THE COURT: Where we were at was he was
19	asking me to set it for you know, adjourn it down the
20	line. I'm not going to do that. I suggest some time in
21	October if things have died down if he wants to come back
22	and re-file he can do so at that time. That'll be six
23	months the PPO's been in effect.
24	Usually it takes people about six months
25	to accept the situation and move forward so maybe you'll

1	be more inclined to let it go at that time. For now I'm
2	going to just keep it in place.
3	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Thank you.
4	THE COURT: Judge Cox obviously felt that
5	there was a very good reason to issue this PPO ex parte
6	and clearly she is concerned about the terms of the
7	relationship so I'm not going to deny it at this time.
8	MR. RIBITWER: Judge, will you will you
9	modify the provision regarding the purchase or possession
10	of a firearm?
11	THE COURT: I'm going to leave the firearm
12	provision alone for now and then I will tell you that if
13	he wants to re-file it the Court will entertain it when
14	he comes back.
15	MR. RIBITWER: Very good, Judge. Thank
16	you for your consideration.
17	THE COURT: All right.
18	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: Thank you,
19	very much.
20	COURT OFFICER: Have a seat and you'll get
21	your paperwork.
22	KATHERINE BARR, Plaintiff: All right.
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STATE OF MICHIGAN

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VS

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY	MODIFY, EXTEND, OR TERMINAT PERSONAL PROTECTION ORDE	Hon. Docket Judge PPO	14-103922-PP 04/10/2014
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Tammy Ynette BAKER, Petitioner-Appellee,
v.
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The trial court erred by imposing mediation as a condition to having a hearing on the merits of an ex parte personal protection order (PPO). During the hearing on the respondent's motion to terminate the PPO, the hearing referee sought the respondent's consent to mediation and the respondent was not allowed to present her defense. Because the trial court effectively denied the respondent of her statutory right to a prompt and timely review of the PPO, the matter was remanded for an evidentiary hearing to determine whether the PPO should have

been terminated.

Kent Circuit Court; LC No. 08-007173-PH.

Before: MURPHY, C.J., and JANSEN and ZAHRA, JJ.

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PER CURIAM.

*1 Respondent, acting in propria persona, appeals as of right the trial court's order denying her motion to terminate petitioner's ex parte personal protection order (PPO). In lieu of receiving a hearing on the merits of whether the PPO should have been terminated, respondent was ordered to mediate her dispute with petitioner. On appeal, respondent claims the circuit court reversibly erred by requiring her to enter mediation because she was entitled to a prompt hearing on the merits of the PPO. We hold that mediation may not be imposed as a condition to having a hearing on the merits of a PPO. We vacate the order denying respondent's motion to terminate the PPO and remand for an evidentiary hearing to determine whether the PPO should be terminated

I. Basic Facts and Procedure

The parties have been neighbors for decades. In July 2008, petitioner was granted an ex parte PPO, based in part on her allegation that respondent threatened to harm her with a gun. Respondent alleged that petitioner lied, timely objected to the issuance of the PPO and invoked her statutory right to a hearing on the merits. MCL 2950a (11). The matter came to a hearing before a referee on August 12, 2008. The referee began by inviting petitioner to state why she thought the PPO should remain in place. Petitioner said that respondent was "going around her neighborhood talking about me, you know, trying to get other people mad at me, it is childish. It needs to stop today." Thereafter, the referee noted that the parties should be able to figure out how to get along. The referee without hearing from respondent informed the litigants that he

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wanted them to mediate their dispute:

Referee: [Respondent,] I don't mean to not hear from you this morning; but the two of you are going to continue to reside in your homes for a long period of time and you are going to have to find a way to mutually co-exist peacefully in your neighborhood with one another....

What ... I would like to do is send you to the Dispute Resolution Center. It is free, it is mediation, you meet with a mediator, [and] you reach an agreement between yourselves. You sign a contract of how you are going to peacefully coexist. I have sent multiple PPOs to the Dispute Resolution Center, all but one have come back with an agreement. I am confident that two mature women will be able to sit down and talk with a trained mediator and reach an agreement.

The referee asked respondent how she felt about mediation, and the following exchange occurred:

Respondent: I am fine with it. But, your honor, my thing is I don't talk to her ... so therefore, there is not a problem. All I need for her to do is stay out of my business.

Referee: Well, you know, take that up with the mediator. And run that by the mediator and if you two can, you know, agree to do that and abide by those terms, you guys will get along just fine.

Thereafter, the referee brought the hearing to a close:

*2 Referee: [Respondent,] the PPO is still technically in place until we get a signed mediation agreement.

Respondent: Is there a way that we can resolve this today though, your honor?

Referee: I am not going to do that,

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Respondent: I wish you would have let me talk, sir, You have no idea what I have to deal with.

The parties did not mediate, Respondent immediately filed a motion seeking de novo review by the circuit court of the referee's decision, Respondent stated that the PPO should not have been issued because petitioner's allegations were false.

Respondent's motion for review of the referee's decision was heard on August 29, 2008. The circuit court refused to rule on the merits of the PPO. The circuit court observed that the litigants had been ordered to mediate and they had not done so. Respondent asserted that she was objecting to being ordered to mediate, to which the circuit court replied, "[y]ou're going to mediation." Respondent refused to mediate, indicating, there was "nothing to mediate." The circuit court replied, "Okay, fine. Then the PPO stays in force."

II. Analysis

A PPO is an injunctive order. MCL 600.2950a (29)(c). The grant of an injunctive order "is within the sound discretion of the trial court and will not be reversed on appeal absent an abuse of discretion." *Pickering v. Pickering*, 253 Mich.App. 694, 700, 659 N.W.2d 649 (2002). An abuse of discretion occurs when the trial court's decision results in an outcome falling outside the principled range of outcomes. *Radeljak v. DaimlerChrysler Corp.*, 475 Mich. 598, 603, 719 N.W.2d 40 (2006).

When seeking an ex parte PPO, the petitioner must show "specific facts shown by verified complaint, written motion, or affidavit that immediate and irreparable injury, loss, or damage will result from the delay required to effectuate notice or that the notice will precipitate adverse action before a personal protection order can be issued." MCL 600.2950a(9); see also MCR 3.703(G) and MCR 3.705(A)(2). Here, the allegations sworn by petitioner were sufficient for the ex parte PPO to issue. According to the affidavit, respondent had threatened petitioner with a gun.

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However, within 14 days of being served with the PPO, respondent timely filed a motion to terminate the PPO, as it was her right to do. MCL 600.2950a(10). When such a motion is filed, the circuit court must schedule and conduct a hearing on the merits of the PPO. MCL 600.2950a(11); MCR 3.707(A)(2). "[T]he burden of justifying continuation of a PPO granted ex parte is on the applicant for the restraining order." *Pickering, supra* at 699, 659 N.W.2d 649, citing MCR 3.310(B)(5).

Here, while a hearing was held on respondent's motion to terminate the PPO, respondent correctly points out that the hearing referee did not hear her defense. We note that prior to ordering mediation, the hearing referee arguably sought respondent's consent to mediation. Thus, we must determine whether the referee solicited and obtained a valid waiver from respondent of her statutory right to a hearing on the merits of the PPO. We conclude that the hearing referee did not obtain from respondent a valid waiver of her right to a hearing on the merits of the PPO. The hearing referee failed to inform respondent, who was without legal counsel, that the PPO would remain in effect during the mediation process. It is clear from the record that respondent objected to mediation upon learning that the PPO would remain in effect pending mediation. By immediately filing a motion for review of the order of the referee, it is clear that respondent did not intend to acquiesce the continuance of the PPO while mediation was pending. Significantly, the circuit court, on review of the referee's order, did not conclude that respondent waived her right to a hearing on the merits. Instead, it appears the circuit court concluded that court ordered mediation is reason enough not to rule on the merits of the PPO.

*3 Having concluded that respondent did not waive her right to a hearing on the merits of the PPO, we must next determine whether anything presented to the hearing referee or the circuit court would support the continuance of the PPO. On the record before this Court there exists nothing that would justify the continuance of the PPO. Rather

than hearing and deciding whether the PPO was properly issued, the referee cut short the proofs presented by petitioner, declined to take proofs from respondent and entered an order requiring mediation. The circuit court upheld that order, declining to address the merits of the PPO until mediation had been attempted.

The procedure applicable to PPO hearings is governed by MCR 3.707(A)(2), which provides in pertinent part that "[t]he court must schedule and hold a hearing on a motion to modify or terminate a personal protection order within 14 days of the filing of the motion ..." (emphasis added). Implicit in the court rule and the PPO statute is the notion that the court will promptly determine whether the PPO was properly issued. Based on the proofs presented, a court may continue, modify or terminate the PPO. However, a court may not set a matter for hearing only to notify the litigants that they must submit their dispute to mediation.

Here, by requiring mediation and keeping the PPO in place, the trial court effectively denied respondent her statutory right to a prompt and timely review of the PPO. This amounted to an abuse of discretion. We recognize that "[f]ailure of a party or the party's attorney or other representative to attend a scheduled ADR proceeding, as directed by the court, may constitute a default to which MCR 2.603 is applicable or a ground for dismissal under MCR 2.504(B)." MCR 2.410(D)(3)(a) (emphasis added). However, most instances where ADR is attempted or appropriate do not occur in cases where there exists a specific right to a prompt hearing on the merits of the dispute. Further, we note that court imposed ADR will rarely be suitable in PPO cases, where domestic violence or stalking is alleged to have occurred. Accordingly, we vacate the order denying respondent's motion to rescind the PPO and we remand for an evidentiary hearing to determine whether the PPO should be terminated.

Vacated and remanded. We do not retain jurisdiction.

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Court of Appeals of Michigan.
Jody Lynn COOLMAN, Petitioner-Appellee,
v.
Brad LAISURE, Respondent-Appellant.

No. 224050. Nov. 30, 2001.

Before: CAVANAGH, P.J., and DOCTOROFF and JANSEN, JJ.

PER CURIAM.

*1 Respondent Brad Laisure appeals as of right from the circuit court order that denied his motion to terminate a personal protection order (PPO) that the court granted ex parte to petitioner Jody Lynn Coolman under M.C.L. § 600,2950a. We affirm in part and reverse in part.

As a preliminary matter, we must determine whether this appeal is moot given that the expiration date on the PPO, as modified, was February 1, 2000. An issue is most if an event occurs that renders it impossible for the court, if it should decide in favor of the party, to grant relief. City of Jackson v. Thompson-McCully Co, LLC, 239 Mich.App 482, 493; 608 NW2d 531 (2000). Here, although the PPO has expired, the PPO remains entered in the law enforcement information network (LEIN). See M.C.L. § 600.2950a(7) & (14). There is no provision in the statute for removal of a PPO from the LEIN upon the order's expiration date. However, if this Court determined that the PPO was improper in some manner, respondent could seek entry on the LEIN of an order rescinding, terminating, or modifying the PPO. See M.C.L. § 600.2950a(16) & (17). Accordingly, because it is

not impossible for this Court to grant some measure of relief in this case, the appeal is not moot.

Turning to the merits of respondent's appeal, he argues that the circuit court erred in granting the exparte PPO and in denying his motion to terminate the order. A PPO is statutorily defined as an "injunctive order." MCL 600.2950a(29)(b). The granting of injunctive relief is within the sound discretion of the trial court, although the decision must not be arbitrary and must be based on the facts of the particular case. *Int'l Union v. State*, 231 Mich.App 549, 551; 587 NW2d 821 (1998). The trial court's findings of fact are reviewed for clear error. *Id.*; MCR 2.613(C).

MCL 600.2950a FNI, which provides for a PPO in a non-domestic stalking context, states, in pertinent part:

FN1. Since the lower court action in this case, M.C.L. § 600.2950a was amended by 1999 PA 268, effective July 1, 2000. Relevant to this case, the following was inserted after the first sentence in section 1: "Relief shall not be granted unless the petition alleges facts that constitute stalking as defined in section 411h or 411i of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, M.C.L. § 750.411h and 750.411i."

(1) Except as provided in subsections (25) and (26), ... an individual may petition the family division of circuit court to enter a personal protection order to restrain or enjoin an individual from engaging in conduct that is prohibited under section 411h or 411i of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, M.C.L. § 750.411h and 750.411i. Relief may be sought and granted under this section whether or not the individual to be restrained or enjoined has been charged or convicted under section 411h or 411i of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, M.C.L. § 750.411h and 750.411i for the alleged violation.

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(9) An ex parte personal protection order shall not be issued and effective without written or oral notice to the individual enjoined or his or her attorney unless it clearly appears from specific facts shown by verified complaint, written motion, or affidavit that immediate and irreparable injury, loss, or damage will result from the delay required to effectuate notice or that the notice will itself precipitate adverse action before a personal protection order can be issued.

*2 In this case, petitioner alleged in her petition that she repeatedly told respondent that their relationship was over, and that, at a bar on October 2, he grabbed her arm, swung her around, and attempted to drag her out the door. Based on these allegations, we conclude that the circuit court did not clearly err in finding that petitioner was subject to "immediate and irreparable injury, loss, or damage" on the date the PPO was issued, or that notice of the petition would "precipitate adverse action." MCL 600.2950a(9); Kampf v. Kampf, 237 Mich.App 377, 384; 603 NW2d 295 (1999). Therefore, the court did not abuse its discretion in granting the ex parte PPO.

However, following the November 1 hearing on respondent's motion to terminate the PPO, the circuit court clearly erred in finding that respondent "stalked" petitioner. "Stalking" is defined as

a willful course of conduct involving repeated or continuing harassment of another individual that would cause a reasonable person to feel terrorized, frightened, intimidated, threatened, harassed, or molested and that actually causes the victim to feel terrorized, frightened, intimidated, threatened, harassed, or molested. [MCL 750.411h(1)(d) (emphasis added).]

The statute defines "course of conduct" as "a pattern of conduct composed of a series of 2 or more separate noncontinuous acts evidencing a continuity of purpose," M.C.L. § 750.411h(1)(a), and "harassment" as

conduct directed toward a victim that includes,

but is not limited to, repeated or continuing unconsented contact that would cause a reasonable individual to suffer emotional distress and that actually causes the victim to suffer emotional distress. Harassment does not include constitutionally protected activity or conduct that serves a legitimate purpose. [MCL 750.411h(1)(c).]

Based on the testimony of the parties at the hearing, there was no clear evidence of a "willful course of conduct" composed of 2 or more "separate noncontinuous acts evidencing a continuity of purpose," The repeated phone calls and other non-physical contacts prior to September 30 appear to have been attempts by respondent to find out why petitioner had broken off the relationship and to possibly repair the relationship. The evidence demonstrated that petitioner did not feel terrorized or harassed as a result of this series of contacts. The October 2 incident at the bar was the basis for petitioner's fear of respondent and for seeking the PPO. However, the bar incident did not involve the same "continuity of purpose" as the prior contacts. Moreover, there is no dispute that, other than the October 2 bar incident, respondent made no attempt to contact petitioner between the parties' telephone call on September 30, when petitioner clearly informed respondent that the relationship was over, and November 1, when the hearing on respondent's motion was heard.

We conclude that the court clearly erred in finding that respondent's conduct rose to the level of stalking as statutorily defined. Thus, the circuit court abused its discretion in denying respondent's motion to terminate the PPO. The circuit court's decision to grant the ex parte PPO on October 4, 1999 is affirmed, but the court's decision to continue the order after November 1, 1999, is reversed.

*3 Affirmed in part, reversed in part. Respondent may tax costs pursuant to MCR 7.219.

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The trial court erred when it entered the modified personal protection order for the wife against the husband. The trial court found that the alleged incidents the wife made against the husband were "pretty commonplace" and "normal" for couples who were experiencing marital difficulties. Additionally the court found that there had been no assaults and that neither the wife nor the children were in any danger, M.C.L.A. § 600.2950.

Ottawa Circuit Court; LC No. 08-061386-PP.

Before: BECKERING, P.J., and MARKEY and BORRELLO, JJ.

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PER CURIAM.

*1 Following a hearing, respondent's motion to terminate the ex parte personal protection order (PPO) against him was denied and a modified PPO issued. Respondent appeals as of right, and for the reasons set forth in this opinion, we reverse the trial court's decision to grant the PPO and accordingly we vacate the issuance of the PPO. Additionally, we remand this matter to the trial court for a new order to update and remove reference to the PPO from the law enforcement information network (LEIN). This appeal has been decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E).

While filing divorce proceedings against respondent, petitioner sought an ex parte PPO against respondent. Petitioner was granted an ex parte PPO against respondent on May 8, 2008, which provided for the couple's children as well as petitioner. Respondent was served the next day and filed a timely motion to rescind. An evidentiary hearing was held, and both parties testified. The trial court found the incidents alleged by petitioner to be normal for couples experiencing marital difficulties. It found there had been no assaults and that neither petitioner nor her children were in danger from respondent. The court indicated that petitioner's fears were based on her perception, rather than reality. Specifically, the trial court stated:

I didn't hear anything that says that [petitioner] is in imminent danger, I think clearly she feels that way and that's important ... to deal with that. I think what we need to do is a modified [PPO] that will provide the comfort [petitioner]'s looking for as far as her personal safety is concerned. And it basically isn't going to order [respondent] to not to [sic] anything he isn't supposed to not do anyway.

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Despite not finding legal grounds for the issuance of a PPO, the trial court ordered a modified PPO anyway, reasoning that the order did not prohibit respondent from committing any acts not already prohibited by law.

On appeal, respondent argues that the trial court erred by failing to terminate the PPO against him. We review a trial court's denial of a motion to rescind an ex parte PPO for abuse of discretion. Pickering v. Pickering, 253 Mich.App. 694, 700-701, 659 N.W.2d 649 (2002). A trial court acts within its discretion when its decision results in an outcome within the range of principled outcomes. Maldonado v. Ford Motor Co., 476 Mich. 372, 388, 719 N.W.2d 809 (2006).

A trial court is normally afforded great deference when addressing issues of witness credibility. MCR 2.613(C); In re Clark Estate, 237 Mich.App. 387, 395-396, 603 N.W.2d 290 (1999). Although the trial court found that petitioner believed her concerns were real, it also found that her concerns were unfounded. Therefore, the issue presented on appeal is not one of deference to the trial court on a matter of witness credibility, but rather whether the court erred when it continued the PPO despite petitioner's failure to overcome her burden of persuasion. The court's statements on the record indicate petitioner did not meet that burden, and accordingly, the trial court erred when it entered a PPO against respondent.

*2 Initially, we note that while the PPO on which this appeal is based expired on May 8, 2009, the issue is not moot. An issue on appeal is moot when it becomes impossible for the court to grant the relief sought. City of Warren v. Detroit, 261 Mich.App. 165, 166 n. 1, 680 N.W.2d 57 (2004). However, "a question may not be moot if it will continue to have collateral legal consequences." Mead v. Batchlor, 435 Mich. 480, 486, 460 N.W.2d 493 (1990). This Court has held that an appeal from an expired PPO is justiciable where retention of a respondent's record on the LEIN poses future negative consequences. Hayford v. Hayford, 279

Mich.App. 324, 325, 760 N.W.2d 503 (2008).

In cases of wrongful criminal convictions, adverse collateral consequences are presumed. Spencer v. Kemna, 523 U.S. 1, 118 S.Ct. 978, 140 L.Ed.2d 43 (1998); Sibron v. New York, 392 U.S. 40, 55-56, 88 S.Ct. 1889, 20 L.Ed.2d 917 (1968). One adverse collateral consequence recognized in the criminal context is the right to engage in certain businesses. Spencer, 523 U.S. at 8. A PPO is not a criminal conviction, but may have criminal implications for individuals pursuing occupations that require a criminal background check or the carrying of a weapon. When a PPO issues, it is automatically entered into the LEIN, but there is no statutory provision to address removal from the LEIN upon its natural expiration. See MCL 600.2950a(17). Therefore, a wrongfully issued PPO could have collateral consequences for an individual well after the PPO has expired.

Respondent indicated that he has been seeking federal employment since he retired from the Coast Guard. Although the modified PPO did not specifically prohibit respondent from purchasing or possessing a firearm, he could have difficulty obtaining security clearances or passing a criminal background check required for certain law enforcement positions or other government employment because it would not be unreasonable for potential employers to presume a violent tendency on the part of respondent because of the issuance of the PPO. Because respondent has sufficiently demonstrated the potential for future adverse consequences to employment in his chosen field, this Court is not without a remedy to provide the requested relief. Consequently, this appeal is not moot.

MCL 600.2950 sets forth the criteria under which a trial court may issue a PPO. Under MCL 600.2950(4), the trial court is required to issue a PPO if it determines that "there is reasonable cause to believe that the individual to be restrained or enjoined may commit 1 or more of the acts listed in subsection (1)." The acts listed in subsection 1 in-

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clude "any other specific act or conduct that imposes upon or interferes with personal liberty or that causes a reasonable apprehension of violence." MCL 600.2950(1)(j). In determining whether good cause exists, the trial court is required to consider "testimony, documents, or other evidence" and "whether the individual to be restrained ... has previously committed or threatened to commit 1 or more of the acts listed in subsection (1)." MCL 600.2950(4)(a) and (b). "The burden of proof in obtaining the PPO, as well as the burden of justifying continuance of the order, is on the applicant for the restraining order." *Pickering*, 253 Mich.App. at 701, 659 N.W.2d 649.

*3 In this case, the trial court found that the alleged incidents petitioner made against respondent were "pretty commonplace" and "normal" for couples who were experiencing marital difficulties. The trial court then found that the testimony did not indicate a requirement for issuing "a whole lot of these orders," and further found there had been no assaults and that neither petitioner nor the boys were in danger, Review of the record indicates that the trial court never stated a basis under MCL 600.2950 for the issuance of a PPO. Rather, as previously indicated, the trial court issued the PPO as a means to "provide the comfort [petitioner was] looking for as far as her personal safety is concerned." Absent a legally justified rationale for the issuance of a PPO, the trial court's decision to issue the PPO constituted an abuse of discretion as it was outside the range of principled outcomes. Maldonado, 476 Mich. at 388, 719 N.W.2d 809. Having found that the trial court erred by entering the modified PPO, we vacate the PPO and remand this matter to the trial court for a new order to update and remove reference to the PPO from the LEIN. We do not retain jurisdiction.

Respondent, being the prevailing party, may tax costs pursuant to MCR 7.219.

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